Genesee County

Staff Report

Genesee County
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File #: RES-2025-2302 **Agenda Date:** 9/24/2025 **Agenda #:** 14.

To: Dale K. Weighill, Governmental Operations Committee Chairperson

From: Sheriff Christopher R. Swanson

RE: Approval to accept a grant award from the Michigan State Police Auto Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA), in the amount of $1,827,797.00 with a match of $1,151,512.00, for the grant period of October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 for fiscal year 2025-2026

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of ATPA grant from the Michigan State police in the amount of $1,827,797 with a match of $1,151,512.00 for the grant period of October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026. This grant and match amount allows the Sheriff's Office along with eight (8) other local police agencies to dedicate investigators to pursue thefts of automobiles.

BACKGROUND:

The Automobile Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA), a division of the Michigan State Police, provides grants to sheriffs to assist with the investigation and prosecution of cases involving automobile theft and related offenses. The Genesee County Sheriff's Office has relied on this grant for the partial funding of its Auto Theft and Fraud Prosecution Unit for the past 34 years. This grant provides 60% funding for the salaries and fringe benefits of those nine (9) investigators assigned to Genesee Auto Investigation Network (GAIN) lead by the Sheriff's Office include Burton PD, Davison Twp. PD, Flint PD, Flint Twp. PD, Flushing City PD, Grand Blanc City PD, Grand Blanc Twp. PD, and The Metro Police Authority. GAIN investigators investigate all auto theft related crime, such as auto thefts, title fraud, and carjackings. The total grant award for FY2025-2026 is $1,827,797 with a local match of $1,151,512 coming from all respective agencies. The Counties match cost of $182,785.00 from account # 2856-310.00-699.003.

DISCUSSION:

In the past this grant has been awarded a 50/50% award and match amount and budgeted each year accordingly. For this fiscal year the award amount has been reduced to a 37% award requiring the remaining amount to be matched by the respective agencies. This adjustment results in an additional request of $37,467 from the general fund.

IMPACT ON HUMAN RESOURCES:

None

IMPACT ON BUDGET:

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IMPACT ON FACILITIES:

None

IMPACT ON TECHNOLOGY:

None

CONFORMITY TO COUNTY PRIORITIES:

The ATPA grant money advances the priority of safe communities by adding resources to address auto thefts, title fraud and violent crimes such as carjackings. These grant funds also tie into the County's value of service by giving us more resources to provide prompt, efficient and competent service to victims of crime while at the same time helping secure the County's financial stability by providing funds that otherwise would have come from the County's general fund.

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TO THE HONORABLE CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE GENESEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

BE IT RESOLVED, by this Board of County Commissioners of Genesee County, Michigan, that the request by the Office of Genesee County Sheriff to authorize accepting a grant from the Auto Theft Prevention Authority, a division of the Michigan State Police, in the amount of $676,285.00 with required matching funds of $182,785.00 coming from the Sheriff's Office general fund budget, is approved (a copy of the memorandum request and supporting documents being on file with the official records of the September 17, 2025 meeting of the Governmental Operations Committee of this Board), the Chairperson of this Board is authorized to execute any necessary documents on behalf of Genesee County, and the Chief Financial Officer is directed to record the attached budget amendment.

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